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I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991, in which the Council decided to establish the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO).

Following the usual consultations and subject to the decisions which the Security Council may take regarding the extension of the Mission's mandate beyond 30 November 1996, it is my intention to appoint Major-General Jorge Barroso De Moura (Portugal) as Force Commander of MINURSO, with effect from 1 December 1996. Major-General Barroso De Moura will replace Major-General José Leandro (Portugal), who will complete his tour of duty on 30 November 1996.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Boutros BOUTROS-GHALI

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